**AT Policy for Re-referrals for Device Upgrades**

Many students remain in OCPS for several years after their initial AT evaluation, and the AT Team continues to follow the student by tracking the equipment, transferring the equipment to new schools as the student moves in the district, and training new support teams. Initial AT recommendations are made for students projecting their needs for several years. The exact time frame can be flexible based on the changing needs of the student.

As new technology begins to emerge on the market school teams and family members may express interest in upgrading devices to the newer technology. Device upgrades will be considered through the typical AT referral process using the following guidelines:

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| **Situation** | **Consider device upgrade** | **Continue with current device** |
| Device is no longer working reliably. |  |  |
| Device requires expensive repairs that are not covered under warranty. |  |  |
| Student’s educational needs have changed with regard to language, literacy, motor skills, behavior, etc. |  |  |
| Lighter technology would be easier to carry, however student can independently transport current device. |  |  |
| New technology is “cool.” |  |  |
| Support team is interested in new device; however, all features required by the student are available in the current device. |  |  |

AT re-evaluations will be conducted similar to initial evaluations and will consist of device trials with equipment being considered. As with initial evaluations, re-evaluation recommendations will be based on successful implementation in classroom activities, providing a means for the student to increase his/her successful participation in class.